



ASSISTANT PROFESSOR DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
(Tenure Track, 12-month)
July 16, 2026

Samford University's School of Health Professions seeks a collaborative faculty member interested in serving in a Christian university environment to apply for the position of Assistant Professor in the Department of Physical Therapy. This full-time, tenure-track faculty position is a 12-month appointment and will begin **October 1, 2026**.

Qualifications:

Qualified candidates will be a graduate of a CAPTE-accredited physical therapy program and have a minimum of three years of experience as a practicing physical therapist by start date. In addition, candidates must hold an academic doctoral degree (PhD, EdD, DSc or similar) or be actively enrolled in an academic doctoral program by the start date in order to meet CAPTE Standards and Required Elements for Accreditation Standard 4 (Updated Sept. 16, 2025).

Additional requirements include:

- Eligibility for licensure as a Physical Therapist in Alabama
- A commitment to academic excellence
- Ability to work effectively with faculty, students and colleagues
- Willingness to engage in community outreach activities, including serving in our pro-bono physical therapy clinic.
- Willingness to support the Christian mission of Samford University and the College of Health Sciences
- Willingness to travel for university-related purposes, as needed

Responsibilities:

Major responsibilities of the position include but are not limited to:

- Teach courses in the DPT curriculum
- Mentor students
- Engage in scholarly activity, including research, presentations, and publications
- Engage in departmental, school, college, and/or university service as assigned
- Participate in departmental initiatives, program assessment, and accreditation activities
- Support curriculum development and continuous improvement
- Foster a collaborative and inclusive environment for students, faculty, and staff
- Other responsibilities assigned by department chair, dean, provost, or president and those described in the Samford University Faculty Handbook sections A6.1 and A6.2.

Preference will be given to candidates with the following qualifications:

- Experience teaching in a CAPTE-accredited PT program

The College of Health Sciences includes four schools: School of Health Professions, Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing, McWhorter School of Pharmacy, and School of Public Health. The College offers multiple degree programs and majors within the health sciences with an inter-professional education focus that reflects today's team approach to health care delivery and professional practice.

Located in the Homewood suburb of Birmingham, Alabama, Samford (samford.edu) is a leading Christian university offering undergraduate programs grounded in the liberal arts with an array of nationally recognized graduate and professional schools. Founded in 1841, Samford enrolls 6,324 students from 44 states, Puerto Rico and 16 countries in its 10 academic schools with 450 full-time faculty. Samford is ranked #3 in the nation for career preparation and #7 in the nation for student learning opportunities as listed in *The Wall Street Journal* (2026). The University is dedicated to the promotion of rigorous academic inquiry in a Christian setting. The University seeks and prefers employee applicants of the Christian faith and offers competitive salaries with a generous benefits package.

Application:

Applications will be accepted until **Aug 15, 2026**. Please submit a cover letter, curriculum vita, the names of three professional references, Application for Faculty Position and Faculty Applicant Christian Mission Statement. The successful candidate must pass a background check, and applicants must be authorized to work in the United States, as Samford will not sponsor any employment visas for this position.

“Application for Faculty Position” can be found at:

https://www.samford.edu/departments/files/Human_Resources/application-for-faculty-employment.pdf

“Faculty Applicant Christian Mission Statement” can be found at:

<https://www.samford.edu/departments/files/academic-affairs/Faculty-Applicant-Christian-Mission-Statement.docx>

Please submit all materials in PDF format to:

FACAPP@samford.edu

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